

Select Committee To Investigate Covert Arms Transactions With Iran

(Established by vote of the House on January 7, 1987)

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Jurisdiction: To investigate covert arms transactions with Iran by conducting an investigation and study, and making appropriate recommendations to the House, including amendment of existing legislation or enactment of new legislation regarding the following matters: (1) Sale or transfer of arms, technology or intelligence information to Iran or Iraq, the relation of such sale or transfer to efforts to obtain the release of hostages and to U.S. policy regarding dealings with nations supporting terrorism, and the U.S. relationship with the Iran-Iraq war; (2) Diversion of funds realized in connection with such sale or transfer for financing assistance to anti-government forces in Nicaragua or any other disposition apart from deposit in the Treasury; (3) In connection with these matters, the violation of any law, agreement, promise or understanding regarding reporting to the Congress; (4) Operational activities and the conduct of foreign and national security policy by the staff of the National Security Council or other White House personnel, the use of any funds in political advocacy or campaigns or efforts to influence public opinion or legislation relating to the subjects described, and the participation, coordination, and awareness, or lack thereof, regarding such activities and conduct by the Departments of State, Defense, and Justice; (5) Authorization and supervision of the matters within its jurisdiction by the President and other White House personnel; (6) Role of individuals and entities outside the government in connection with the matters in this section; (7) Impact of these matters on public and international confidence in the U.S. government and on U.S. policy objectives.

The committee shall report to the House the final results of its investigation and study no later than October 30, 1987, unless the House directs otherwise. Following the filing of its final report, it shall have one month before its authority shall expire in order to close its affairs.

Ratio: 9/6.

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Note: The Select Committee To Investigate Covert Arms Transactions With Iran has no subcommittees.